Incident Information Procedures Clearwater/Nez Perce Fire Zone

Goal

Provide accurate and timely fire information to our employees, interested and affected publics, and the media in language understandable to the general public.

Fire Information Objectives

- Be the first and best source of information about fires on the Nez Perce and Clearwater National Forests, often referred to as the *Clear/Nez Fire Zone*.
- Remove the burden of answering multiple phone calls and providing basic fire information from the dispatch office and others actively involved in fire management.
- Facilitate understanding about fire and its role in forest ecosystems.
- Clearly articulate what actions are being taken and why when wildfires start.
- Highlight the good work being done in the management of wildfires in the zone.
- Relay messages specific to regional and national level initiatives, and how they apply to the local
- Initiative, Integrated Restoration Strategy, etc.
- Post information on websites so it is available to incident management teams prior to their arrival on forest.

Talking Points

- □ Forest ecosystems are always changing. Fire is one of the major agents of change. Fire revitalizes forest ecosystems to ensure there are functioning watersheds and healthy forests.
- ☐ There are two kinds of fire: wildfire and prescribed fire.
- □ Wildfire management includes the prevention, control, and use of wildfire to achieve resource objectives.
 - Prevention includes education and actions that reduce unwanted wildfires.
 - Control is action taken on unwanted wildfires to protect life, and to reduce damage to resources and property.
 - Some carefully selected wildfires will be allowed to burn naturally in certain areas to revitalize forest ecosystems. This is referred to as wildfire use.
- All fires are actively managed; they aren't simply "allowed to burn." Recurring planning and monitoring, periodic assessments, and evaluation are important components of the fire management program.
- □ Safety is our number one concern...safety of firefighters and safety of the public. Fires that pose a threat to life and property will receive priority.

- □ Smoke is an inevitable by-product and natural consequence of fire; there is no way to eliminate it from the ecosystem. Air quality is an important consideration when fire management decisions are made.
 - A number of factors determine how much smoke is in the area and how long it will last. They include: (1) the number of fires in the area; (2) fire behavior; (3) weather conditions; and (4) topography of the land. Smoke can travel long distances, so fires in other areas can affect local smoke levels.
 - One method of managing smoke is to ignite prescribed fires when conditions are favorable for good smoke dispersion.
 - Visit your state air quality website for current and predicted information on possible smoke impacts. The website, http://www.4cleanair.org/, offers links to state and local air quality agencies across the nation as well as links to AIRNOW.
- Healthy Forest Initiative (HFI): The President's Healthy Forest Initiative offers the Forest Service an opportunity to expedite fuels reduction and forest restoration projects, especially in areas at high risk from catastrophic fires and insect outbreaks. Aggressive fuels management, where it is ecologically and economically prudent, is a big step in restoring forest health and reducing the danger of catastrophic wildfire. However, the problem took decades to develop and the solution will not happen over night.

Website for more information: http://www.fs.fed.us/projects/hfi

The Healthy Forests Restoration Act (HFRA) was passed by Congress in the fall of 2003. The Act provided new authorities to the BLM and the Forest Service to expedite NEPA processes and provided for improved judicial review of projects challenged in court. The Healthy Forests Restoration Act also emphasizes work on Federal lands near communities and high-risk municipal watersheds, natural resources threatened by insects and disease, and threatened and endangered species habitat.

The HFI and the HFRA both provide tools to the federal agencies to ensure more timely decisions, greater efficiency, and better results in reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfires by restoring forest and rangeland health. More information is available at www.healthyforests.nd rangelands.gov

- □ Wildland Fire Use (WFU) the term Wildland Fire Use is replaced with a wildfire that has an objective of resource benefit.
- National Incident Management Organization (NIMO) The NIMO program is used on and off incidents to help wildland fire agencies address issues and improve current and future fire management. As seven person teams of command and general staff positions, they can be dispatched as a short team to manage incidents that need a more customized approach such as long-term fires in remote locations, which can reduce cost and provide consistency that allows for an additional level of safety; coordination support at regional or national Multi-Agency Coordinating (MAC) group levels; specialized incidents within an incident such as an aviation accident; or as an advisory group to assist a Type 2 team in handling complex situations for a short period time so transitions don't have to occur during critical periods on an incident.

More information on NIMO is available at their website at: www.nifc.gov/nimo/. PAOs currently have CDs that include a NIMO communication plan and talking points with a format to fit our forests/communities.

□ Structure Protection - reference the APRIL, 2009 FINAL document (in fire information notebooks).

Audience

Internal - General: all the employees on the Clearwater and Nez Perce Fire Zone. Specific: frontliners, line officers, and recreation employees, on the Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forests, neighboring public affairs officers, and Public and Governmental Relations (PGR) contacts in the Regional Office. The fire staff will provide advice regarding specific communication with fire employees.

External - Media, Congressional staff assistants, county commissioners

Note - **This is a starting point!** Fires of any size, consequence or duration will have many additional audiences such as IOGA (Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association), IDFG (Idaho Department of Fish and Game), Idaho Department of Commerce, Chambers of Commerce, etc. These will be identified on a case-by-case, fire-by-fire basis.

Procedures

1. Draft a News Release and Develop Supporting Materials

The fire staff and/or dispatch office will notify Laura Smith if there is significant fire activity on the Nez Perce NF or Elayne Murphy if there is significant fire activity on the Clearwater NF. The Public Affairs Officers will obtain specific information from the Grangeville Interagency Dispatch office, Jim Gray, Zone Fire Staff Officer, Bob Lippincott, Zone Deputy. PAOs will also attend/or call into the daily Zone FMO conference calls. Districts need to focus on firefighting efforts and shouldn't be contacted unless adequate information isn't available from other sources.

Write in easy-to-understand language. Include the basic information: who, what, where, when, why and how. Instead of speaking in fire jargon, tell where the fire is, what we are doing about it and why we are taking that action (NO USE OF THE ACRONYM WFURB!).

Depending upon the extent and duration of fire season, additional information products may be needed. The zone information operation will assume responsibility for producing closure and restriction posters, fact sheets, ads, brochures, and activating a 1-800 information number. These items will be distributed to the various units who have responsibility for posting and distributing them as well as developing any necessary community contacts.

2. Distribute the Information

Internal Distribution -

- Initially, mail the report to the individuals included on the attached "Fire Info" internal mailing list (Appendix A). As interest grows, this list may need to be expanded or a second list formed.
- Post the information on the Grangeville Interagency Dispatch Center website which is linked to the Clearwater and Nez Perce forest websites (Appendix D). Send a note to all employees notifying them information is available and a link to the location.
- The dispatch office on the Nez Perce NF will maintain the bulletin board at the Nez Perce NF SO. The Clearwater NF SO and all Districts are responsible for managing any unit bulletin boards.

External Distribution -

- E-mail to the attached external "Media news release" mailing list (Appendix B) and Others (Appendix C). (See additional directions for those unable to use e-mail material)
- As the need for external dissemination of fire information increases, additional tools and procedures will be developed.

3. Monitor

- Listen to local radio stations. Maintain a clipping file. If inaccurate information is reported, request corrections.
- Pursue feedback from employees. Do they have access to the type and level of information they want/need? If not, make adjustments.
- Pursue feedback from the media. Are their information needs being met with established procedure?
- The outlined procedures are a minimum. If necessary, additional target audiences need to be
 defined and additional tactics and contacts may be added. This determination is made on a fireby-fire basis.

4. Prepare for Team Briefings

- If a team is brought to the Forest to manage an incident, the team's incident information officer will be briefed about local information needs and opportunities.
- An information packet (see below) will be provided to the team's incident information officer. The Forest Supervisor/Agency Rep., Fire Management Officer and Incident Commander will agree on who/how information will be released.
- It is imperative for the team's incident information officer(s) to maintain a constant flow of communication on a regular basis with the Forest Public Affairs Officer (via phone, email and whenever possible, in person).
- Inciweb the Forest Supervisor's expectations of the Incident Team's Information Officer (IIO) is to keep the status of the fire up-to-date on the Inciweb database. Information is to be taken directly from the 209s. Current Maps, Photos, Updates, Closures and Restrictions are also to be posted by the IIO. Forest Public Affairs Officers will assist as needed.

- PAOs attend the Daily FMO call @ 7:30 a.m. PT. Initial daily update on all fire activity across the zone.
- Daily Conference Calls are set up for 8:00 a.m. (Pacific Time). Call in number is 1-866-821-8949 followed by Leader Passcode 543436# or Participant Passcode 613428#. The calls are an opportunity for Forest Public Affairs Officers and Incident Team PIOs to share who, when and where meetings with congressional staff, media, county commissioners, the public, etc. will occur. It also provides a time for information officers to review what's working and what needs improvement to help make the flow of communication work smoothly.

Incident Information Packet

- Copy of 2009 Incident Information Procedures and Roles & Responsibilities (hardcopy and on CD)
- Clearwater/Nez Perce National Forest Maps/Travel Planner
- Key Contact List
- Sample Clear/Nez Press Release Format & Sample Fact Sheet (especially electronic version)
- Idaho State Map
- Brief write-up on each of the National Forests (Number of acres, community names, etc.)

Appendix A

Internal Distribution Recipients Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forests

Adam Goicoa/R1/USDAFS

Amanda Hamman/R1/USDAFS

Amy Schrenk/R1/USDAFS

Andre' Ruoti/R1/USDAFS

Andrew B Lane/R1/USDAFS

Andy Brunelle/R4/USDAFS

Angelica G Johnson/R6/USDAFS

Barry Ruklic/R1/USDAFS

Bob Lippincott/R1/USDAFS

Boyd C Hartwig/R1/USDAFS

Brenda R Mitchell/R1/USDAFS

Brenda Rounds/R1/USDAFS

Carmen R Morris/R1/USDAFS

Carol A Hennessey/R1/USDAFS

Chad Behler/R1/USDAFS

Chad W Benson/R1/USDAFS

Chris Damman/R1/USDAFS

Chris Gauthier/R1/USDAFS

Claudia L Wilson/R6/USDAFS

Colleen Fahy/R1/USDAFS

Colleen Paul/R1/USDAFS

Connie Marsh/R1/USDAFS

Courtney Couch/R1/USDAFS

Craig P Trulock/R1/USDAFS

Cynthia Lane/R1/USDAFS

Cynthia Onthank/R1/USDAFS

Danyelle Key/NONFS/USDAFS

Darcy Pederson/R1/USDAFS

David A Crousser/R1/USDAFS

David R Olson/R4/USDAFS

Deanna Crawford/R1/USDAFS

Deanna Huffman/RMRS/USDAFS

Debora L Rendleman/R1/USDAFS

Dennis Crew/R1/USDAFS

Donald D Curnutt/R1/USDAFS

Doug Gober/R1/USDAFS

Elayne Murphy/R1/USDAFS

Elizabeth A Slown/R1/USDAFS

Erica Wilsev/R1/USDAFS

Erin Law/R1/USDAFS

George A Weldon/R1/USDAFS

Gordon Fitzwater/R1/USDAFS

Janet Steiner/R1/USDAFS

Jennifer A Stephenson/R1/USDAFS

Jennifer Costich-Thompson/R1/USDAFS

Jim Brogan/R1/USDAFS

Jim R Gray/R1/USDAFS

Joe B Hudson/R1/USDAFS

John Fantini/R1/USDAFS

Josh J Bransford/R1/USDAFS

Joslyn P Osborn/R1/USDAFS

Judy A Wing/R6/USDAFS

Judy Shelby/RMRS/USDAFS

Julie R Lombardo/R1/USDAFS

Kandi Anderson/R1/USDAFS

Kara Chadwick/R1/USDAFS

Kathy Bess/R1/USDAFS

Katie Knotek/R1/USDAFS

Kent Fuellenbach/R4/USDAFS

Kevin Chaffee/R1/USDAFS

Krista D Green/R1/USDAFS

Kristina B Perry/R1/USDAFS

Laura A Smith/R1/USDAFS

Laura B Pramuk/R4/USDAFS

Laura J Barrett/R1/USDAFS

Le Ann D Wilson/R1/USDAFS

Leann Nelson/R1/USDAFS

Les Dobson/R1/USDAFS

Linda C Laing/R1/USDAFS

Lisa E Spinelli/R1/USDAFS

Mardi J Hart/NONFS/USDAFS

Margaret M Williams/R1/USDAFS

Mark E Wilson/R1/USDAFS

Matthew H Young/R1/USDAFS

Michael P Ward/R1/USDAFS

Mike Lubke/R1/USDAFS

Mike Oliver/R1/USDAFS

Nan Christianson/R1/USDAFS

Nate Raff/R1/USDAFS

Patricia Koppenol/R1/USDAFS

Paul T Christensen/R1/USDAFS

Rachel L Young/R1/USDAFS

Ralph E Rau/R1/USDAFS

Randy A Nelson/R1/USDAFS

Randy Foltz/RMRS/USDAFS

Rebecca J Ward/R1/USDAFS

Renee Snyder/R4/USDAFS

Rose Davis/R1/USDAFS

Russell M Bacon/R4/USDAFS

Scott A Russell/R1/USDAFS

Scott E Schrenk/R1/USDAFS

Steve Munson/R1/USDAFS

Stu Hoyt/R1/USDAFS

Susan J Miramontez/R1/USDAFS

Susan White/R1/USDAFS

Tammy Clark/R1/USDAFS

Teresa E Anderson/R1/USDAFS

Terry Nevius/R1/USDAFS

Tim Theisen/R1/USDAFS

Tom McWilliams/R1/USDAFS

Trisha J Skinner/R1/USDAFS

Vickie L Guthrie/R1/USDAFS

Virginia L Lowe/R1/USDAFS

Willy Acton/R1/USDAFS

Media Distribution Recipients

Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forests

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Appendix C

County/State/Tribal/Other Agency Distribution Recipients Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forests

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Main Media Contact List

Clearwater Progress

Publishing Date: Thursday
Key Contact: Ben Jorgensen

progress@clearwaterprogress.com

(208) 935-0838 FAX: (208) 935-0973

Idaho County Free Press

Publishing Date: Wednesday Key Contact: David Rauzi

drauzi@idahocountyfreepress.com

(208) 983-1200 FAX: (208) 983-1336

KORT-AM-1230/KORT-FM-92.7

Grangeville Radio Station Key Contact: Melinda Hall

kortoffice@qwest.net (208) 983-1230

FAX: (208) 983-2744

KATW-FM-101.5

Lewiston Radio Station

Key Contact: Shain Bolland

(208) 743-6564 FAX: (208) 798-0110 katw@catfm.com

4-K Radio KOZE

Lewiston Radio Station

Key Contact: Jason Ford or Brian Danner

(208) 743-2502 FAX: (208) 743-1995

jasonford@radiorealm.com

KLEW-TV - Channel 3 Lewiston TV Station

Key Contact: Greg Meyer

(208) 746-2636 FAX: (208) 746-4819 klewnews@klewtv.com

Central Idaho Post

Key Contact: Dorothy Walker (208) 983-1550 or 983-0028

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Publishing Date: Thursday Key Contact: Marcie Stanton

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(208) 476-4571

FAX: (208) 476-0765

*Lewiston Morning Tribune

Publishing Date: Daily

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<u>city@lmtribune.com</u> or khedberg@camasnet.com

Kathy's Home Phone: (208) 983-2326

Brad Gary (208)848-2262 David Cole (208)848-2278

Tribune: (208) 743-9411, cell is 790-0387

FAX: (208) 746-1185

KLER-AM-1300/KLER-FM-95.3

Orofino Radio Station

Key Contact: Jeff Jones or Mike Benson

kler@wildblue.net (208) 476-5702 FAX: (208) 476-5703

TAX. (200) 470-3703

KRLC-AM-1350/KMOK-FM-106.9

Lewiston Radio StationKey Contact: John Thomas

(208) 746-5056 FAX: (208) 743-4440 newsroom@idavend.com

Salmon River Current Riggins Newspaper

Key Contact: Richelle Barger

(208) 628-2340

currentnews@frontiernet.net

KBCI - Channel 2 Boise TV Station

Key Contact: (208) 366-5222

FAX: (208) 472-2211 idaho2news@kbcitv.com

Appendix C

Zone Incident Information Contacts

Lead Information Officers

NAME	UNIT	OFFICE	HOME	CELL
Laura Smith	Nez Perce NF SO	983-5143	983-0198	507-1828
Elayne Murphy	Clearwater NF SO	476-8200	926-7464	660-2058
Jim Gray	Zone Staff Officer	983-4066	983-1313	983-5674
Bob Lippincott	Deputy Staff Officer	476-8203	983-3880	983-5672
(All 208 Area Code:	s unless otherwise noted	1)		

Supporting Incident Information Officers (completed training/with experience)

Nez Perce NF Vickie Guthrie Erica Wilsey Jennifer Stephenson	842-2142 983-7014 983-4049	842-2544 983-1548 983-2950	507-1588
Clearwater NF Brenda Yankoviak Christine Bradbury Kris Perry Katie Knotek Leann Wilson	926-6408 476-8332 926-6407 942-0302 476-8267		

Regional Office

Christine Romero (406) 329-3091

Individuals with an Interest and Some Experience; No Training

Nez Perce NF Susan Jenkins Liza Hammond

Clearwater NF Carol Hennessey Courtney Couch

Appendix D - Posting Procedures

- Zone Internet Posting A link to the Grangeville Interagency Dispatch (GVC) Website has been set up for PIOs to post pdf version of Clear/Nez Fire Zone News Releases, Maps, Restrictions and Closures: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/nezperce/gvc/newsrelease.htm All current Incident Information is posted at the Inciweb (Incident Information System) website at: http://www.inciweb.org/
- Clearwater NF SO Bulletin Board If needed, maintain/arrange for someone to maintain the Clearwater National Forest's bulletin board in the SO breakroom. Designated individual will access www.fs.fed.us/r1/fire/nrcc/ and print the National Situation Report, Detailed Situation Report and Weather. (To obtain the local fire weather forecast, look for the "Weather" heading. Select "Boise". At the top of the page, select "fire weather". Scroll down to the map. Select the brown section labeled "MSO". That will bring up the fire weather forecast for this area. You may want to bookmark this location.)

On the Detailed Situation Report, there will be a listing for the Clearwater NF and the Nez Perce NF. Note the "Year to Date" column on the right. Write the number of fires and the number of acres for both Forests on a large yellow sticky note.

• Nez Perce NF SO Bulletin Board - Dispatch staff maintains the Nez Perce NF's bulletin board on the wall outside the east GVC entrance door. The bulletin board displays the National Situation Report, Lightning Map, and Weather Forecast. A map depicting all the current Clear/Nez Fire Zone fires is on the southwest wall of GVC.

Clear/Nez Fire Zone Management Operations Roles & Responsibilities 2009

The following describes the various roles and responsibilities of personnel/positions involved in the Clear/Nez Fire Zone Management Operations under the current organization.

Nez Perce and Clearwater Acting Forest Supervisor - Ralph Rau (208) 983-7017 Nez Perce and Clearwater Deputy Forest Supervisor Kara Chadwick (208) 310-0317

Agency Administrator's responsible for overall major strategic and policy decisions. Coordinates with adjacent Forest Supervisors and ensures inter-agency coordination with other agencies (IDL, BLM, BIA, etc.) on decisions impacting multi-agency jurisdictions as well as keeping those agencies informed on current and potential fire situations. Provides guidance/direction to overall fire management operations on strategic planning and delegation of authorities. Coordinates with community and political leaders on fire status, decisions, and strategies implemented.

Jim Gray - Clear/Nez Fire Zone Staff Officer (208) 983-4066

Responsible for the overall fire management operations on the Clear/Nez Fire Zone. He is responsible for developing strategic direction and ensuring implementation through other staff personnel identified in this document. Also responsible for coordinating with the Regional Multi-Agency Coordinating Group, North Idaho MAC Group, SALMAC group, various Area Commands influencing Clear/Nez operations, the Northern Regional Office, and the Intermountain Regional Office. Identifies strategic issues related to the management of fire on the Zone, working with the above mentioned organization in resolving issues. Responsible for the overall strategy on the management of fires on the Clear/Nez Fire Zone, coordinating with Forest Supervisor's, District Rangers, and District Fire Mgmt. personnel in the development and implementation of these strategies. Responsible for coordinating Incident Management Team needs, organizing and conducting briefings, team transitions with designated agency representatives.

Bob Lippincott - Deputy Zone Fire Staff Officer (208) 476-8203

Responsible for the tactical operations within the Clear/Nez Fire Zone organization. Provides tactical advice and direction as well as ensuring coordination of tactical planning and implementation between the Clear/Nez Coordination Center, Zone Aviation Group, Smokejumper Operations, and Ranger District fire management organizations. As Deputy Fire Staff Officer, represents Fire Staff Officer in his absence.

Fire Agency Administrator (Line Officers) -

Doug Gober, District Ranger, North Fork RD, Clearwater NF, 208-476-8223

Craig Trulock, District Ranger, Lochsa RD, Clearwater NF, 208-926-6400

Chad Benson, District Ranger, Powell RD, Clearwater NF, 208-942-0307

Darcy Pederson, District Ranger, Clearwater RD, Nez Perce NF, 208-983-4031 and Acting District Ranger, Salmon River RD, Nez Perce NF, 208-839-2130

Joe Hudson, District Ranger, Moose Creek RD, Nez Perce NF, 208-926-8930

Terry Nevius, District Ranger, Red River RD, Nez Perce NF, 208-842-2140

Integrates fire and fuels management across all program areas and function. Implements fire management strategies and integrates natural resource concerns into collaborative community protection and ecosystem restoration strategies. Oversees a fire management program including budget, preparedness, prevention, suppression, and hazardous fuels reduction. Serves as an agency administrator during an incident on an assigned unit. Provides a fully staffed, highly qualified, and diversified firefighting workforce that exists in a "safety first" and "readiness" environment.

Fire Agency Administrator Representative

Acts as Agency Administrator representing the Forest Supervisor on a project fire. Coordinates with IDL on inter-agency issues needing attention and resolution. Coordinates with and provides advice/direction

to the Resource Advisor(s) assigned to the project fire. Participates in briefings and strategy sessions with the IMT on a daily basis. Provides info/input back to Agency Administrator as needed.

Acting Forest Supervisors

Acting Forest Supervisor in the absence of the Forest Supervisor for the months of August and September (See duties for the Forest Supervisor). Works with Fire Staff Officer on developing and implementing strategies. Participates in conference calls and meetings with various groups.

Mike Cook - Administrative Officer/Incident Business Advisor (208) 983-7001

Serves as liaison and advisor for/to Agency Administrator/Agency Representative. Coordinates with the Incident Management Teams, participates in IMT briefings and closeouts, provides direction and oversight to IMT's for incident business policies, procedures, expectations, and adherence to procurement regulations. Works with IMT/BUY for adherence to cost containment strategies and reviews/monitors costs associated with the incident(s). Provides guidance/direction to incident support units including Expanded Dispatch, Buying Team (BUY), Payment Oversight Team (POST), etc. Coordinates with Grangeville Interagency Dispatch Center to ensure that support units are adequately staffed to provide the level of service needed to support the overall situation. Provides overall guidance in the resolution of issues/concerns identified by IMT, Support Units or Zone.

Deanna Crawford - Incident Business Specialist/Incident Business Advisor (trainee) (208) 983-4096 Serves as Administrative Representative with responsibility for the overall fire business management operations on the Clear/Nez Fire Zone. Coordinates with the Regional and North Idaho fire business management personnel on issues and concerns that surface during operations. Provides guidance in the resolution of issues/concerns on the Clear/Nez Fire Zone. Coordinates with Incident Management Team(s), participates in IMT briefings, close outs and provides direction to IMT's for incident business policies, procedures, expectations, and adherence to procurement regulations. Works with IMT/BUY for adherence to cost containment strategies and reviews/monitors costs associated with the incident(s). Provides guidance/direction to personnel involved in support units (Expanded Dispatch, Buying Team (BUY), Payment Oversight Team (POST), etc) and ensures these organizations are adequately staffed to provide the level of service needed to support the overall situation.

Linda Hinds - Budget Officer/Clear-Nez Zone Unit Claims Liaison (208)983-4003

Serves as Clear-Nez Zone Unit Claims Liaison and back up Incident Business Advisor. Coordinates with IMT for receipt of pending and potential MVA, Tort and employee claims (MPCE) throughout the incident(s). Coordinates with Claims Branch at ASC.

Laura Barrett - Fire Planner (208) 983-7015

Responsible for assisting the districts with development and tracking of WFDSS on the Fire Zone, and primary contact for FSPro runs. Serves as Ad-Hoc member to the Clearwater/Nez Perce Forest Plan Revision Team. Responsible for long-term budget development using the Fire Plan Analysis System, and serves as the lead for the Northern Idaho Fire Planning Unit. Assists Forests and Districts as needed in aviation operations. Zone contact for County Mitigation Plans, and the Idaho wildfire working group.

Rachel Young - Fuels Specialist (208) 983-4025

Responsible for assisting the districts with development and tracking of WFIP's/ WFSA's on the Fire Zone. Acts as the fire danger/weather expert on the Clear/Nez Fire Zone, providing the most current information for fire management operations within the Zone.

Laura Smith - Nez Perce Forest Fire Information Officer (208) 983-5143

Responsible for compiling fire incident status information for news releases on the Clear/Nez Fire Zone. Maintains contact with news media (radio, newspapers, TV, etc.). Responsible for dissemination of new fire restrictions and closures, working with both Forests and Law Enforcement. Coordinates with web manager to post daily updates on the Interagency Dispatch website. Coordinates with IMT fire information officers, ensuring they are providing the Fire Zone with adequate information on fire status. In the case of a Nez Perce Forest project fire, Laura will be the lead fire information officer with the

Clearwater Forest PAO assisting her. Responsible for local fire status information provided to the Nez Perce Forest front office for the public. Provides leadership for staffing the front desk in the Nez Perce Forest Supervisor's Office.

Elayne Murphy - Clearwater Forest Fire Information Officer (208) 476-8200

Responsible for compiling fire status information for news releases on the Clear/Nez Fire Zone. Maintains contact with news media (radio, newspapers, TV, etc.). Responsible for dissemination of new fire restrictions, working with both Forests and Law Enforcement. Coordinates with IMT fire information officers, ensuring they are providing the Fire Zone with adequate information on fire status. In the case of a Clearwater Forest project fire, Elayne will be the lead fire information officer with the Nez Perce Forest PAO assisting her. Responsible for local fire status information provided to the Clearwater Forest front office for the public. Provide suggestions for staffing when additional fire information is needed.

Willy Acton - Zone Aviation Officer (208) 983-9571

Responsible for the overall management of the Clear/Nez Fire Zone aviation program. Coordinates with all IMT aviation personnel, ensuring aviation issues are identified and dealt with in a timely manner. Works with IMT's and adjacent Forests/agencies in developing Temporary Flight Restriction areas. Participates in in-coming IMT briefings to ensure Zone aviation plans/priorities and Regional priorities are known and implemented. Participates in daily fire operations briefings.

Jeff Polack - Helitack Manager (208) 983-9575

Works for the Clearwater R.D. FMO (Barry Ruklic). Responsible for the overall administration of the Zone helicopter program. Coordinates with the Clear/Nez Coordination Center in scheduling and staffing Zone helicopters. Coordinates with District Fire Management organizations in servicing district needs. Participates in daily fire operations briefings.

Nate Raff - Helitack Manager (208) 926-6430

Works for the Lochsa R.D. FMO (Scott Schrenk). Responsible for the overall operation aspects of the Zone helicopter program. Coordinates with the Clear/Nez Coordination Center in scheduling and staffing Zone helicopters. Coordinates with District Fire Management organizations in servicing district needs. Participates in daily fire operations briefings.

Randy Nelson - Smokejumper Program Manager (208) 983-9583

Responsible for the overall management of the smokejumper operations on the Clear/Nez Fire Zone. Coordinates with adjacent smokejumper bases and the Clear/Nez Coordination Center on status and availability of smokejumper aircraft and personnel. Ensures fire status info is provided to Zone Ranger Districts in order for districts to reach proper decisions on whether or not to staff fires given location of fires, fire behavior, and priorities of fires. Participates in daily fire operations briefings.

Robin Embry - Supervisory Smokejumper Operations Foreman (208) 983-9584

Responsible for daily planning, operations and logistical coordination of smokejumper program. Serves as Acting Program Manager in their absence.

GRANGEVILLE INTERAGENCY DISPATCH CENTER Located in West Wing of Nez Perce NF Supervisor's Office 24 hour dispatch # - (208) 983-6800

Dennis Crew - Center Manager - (208) 983-6801

Responsible for the overall fire support to Ranger Districts and IDL offices in the North Central Idaho Interagency Protection Area for personnel, equipment, supplies, aviation resources, etc. through coordination with district offices. Coordinates with Northern Rockies Coordination Center on any resource needs. Participates in daily fire operations briefings. Coordinates with Expanded Dispatch and Procurement Unit.

Julie Lombardo - Assistant Center Manager - Logistics - (208) 983-6802

Acts as Clear/Nez Zone Coordinator as assigned. Acts as the Logistics Coordinator for the Clear/Nez Fire Zone. Participates in daily fire operations briefings as needed.

VACANT - Assistant Center Manager - Operations (IDL) - (208) 983-6810 Responsible for overall initial attack coordination.

- Amanda Hamman Intelligence Dispatcher 983-6807
- Rebecca Ward Assistant Logistics Dispatcher 983-6806
- Linda Laing Aircraft Dispatcher 983-6803
- LeAnn Nelson Assistant Aircraft Dispatcher 983-6804
- Trisha Skinner North Zone Dispatcher 983-6813
- Margaret Williams Lead East Zone Dispatcher (Moose Creek and Red River RDs) 983-6817
- Joslyn Osborn Assistant Initial Attack Dispatcher West Zone 983-6816
- Mardi Hart IDL Assistant Initial Attack Dispatcher (North Zone) 983-6812
- Dani Key IDL Assistant Initial Attack Dispatcher (East Zone) 983-6814
- Hayden Gnewikow Lead Initial Attack Dispatcher (West Zone) 983-6815
- Jim Brogan Assistant Initial Attack Dispatcher (East Zone) 983-6818

Susan Jenkins - Fire Education, Prevention & Mitigation, Salmon River Ranger District, Nez Perce Forest (208) 839-2110

Responsible for fire education on the Salmon River Ranger District. Coordinates mitigation efforts in designated WUI areas with district fuels specialist, Andrew Lane. Currently serving as the Nez Perce fire prevention representative for the Idaho County Fire Mitigation Plan. Responsible for coordinating with local communities in collecting defensible space data that is used by Idaho County Disaster Coordinators, Salmon River Rural Fire Department, Salmon River Ranger District, Bureau of Land Management and the Clearwater RC&D. Oversees Student Conservation volunteers working on defensible space data collection. Develops fire prevention plans in conjunction with rural homeowner associations, as well as other designated communities in WUI landscapes. Disseminates news and other fire information that is released by the Forest PIOs and their assistants across a predetermined trap line. Other duties include fire patrolling during high fire danger and updating district fire prevention signs.

Courtney Couch - Fire Education, Prevention & Mitigation, Lochsa/Powell Ranger Districts, Clearwater Forest (208) 926-6426

Responsible for fire prevention and mitigation for both the Lochsa and Powell Ranger Districts. Keeps the public Informed with regard to the current fire situation. Coordinates the dissemination of fire information during fire restrictions or during fire 'busts'. Supervise fire lookouts and other personnel for a variety of fire prevention/education duties. May serve as the District's media contact for public service announcements on fire related issues. Coordinates interagency participation in special events such as parades, fairs, festivals, etc. Performs various inspections and provides technical expertise on fire protection and prevention issues for homeowners, electronic sites, power lines, resorts, government facilities, and timber sales within the Forest fire protection boundaries and beyond. Conducts fire education programs for schools and the public.

Liza Hammond - Fire Education, Prevention & Mitigation, Clearwater Ranger District, Nez Perce Forest (208) 983-4020

Responsible for fire prevention and education on the Clearwater Ranger District. Organizes annual environmental education program including preparation and presentation of conservation and fire prevention talks and displays to local schools and the public. Supervise two fire lookouts and other district fire personnel for prevention activities, and daily fire duties. Oversees the district access program by monitoring access restrictions, maintaining the signing program, checking gates, and serving as a forest protection officer. Prepares and updates annual fire prevention plan, and maintains the district prevention sign program. Displays fire prevention and mitigation materials at fairs, and creates a fire prevention float for the annual Border Days Celebration. Patrols district during high fire danger. Works with local vendors to supply prevention/education materials to the public.